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OCTOBER CIRCULATION.

W. B. Carr. Business Manager of The St. Louis Republic, being duly eworn, says that the actual number of full and complete copies of the daily and Sunday Republic printed during the month of October, 1990, all in regular additions. in regular editions, was as per schedule

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this thirty-first day of October, 1900.

J. F. FARISH, Notary Public, City of St. Louis, Mo. My term expires April 28, 1901.

MAKE IT FAIR.

Missouri Republicans, in softening the failure of Flory to fulfill the gorgeous prophecies of the campaign, offer comparisons with the vote of 1896.

Comparison with that high-tide year would be fair enough if they would make it on the right basis. Governor Stephens represented a fu-

sion with the Populist party, as did Mr. Bryan. The Populist nominee for Governor withdrew in favor of Stephens. Bryan's plurality on a complete fusion was in round numbers 58,000. Governor Stephens's plurality was 43,000, the fusion not being official and complete.

But these figures are not a correct basis of comparison with Flory's vote. The other members of the Democratic State ticket, against whom there were Populist candidates, represent the only intelligible basis.

Auditor Seibert's plurality was 36,220; Treasurer Pitts's plurality was 30,660, while that of Lieutenant Governor Bolte was 36,350.

If Mr. Dockery has a plurality of 32.-000 over Flory it is a remarkable showing for himself and for the Democratic party, when we consider that the national Democracy was defeated in most of the Western States and that Flory had the active support of the leaders in several great labor unions.

MUST ATONE FOR SIN.

It would be strange indeed if local Republicans failed to see in the crushing defeat of their party in St. Louis an unmistakable verdict of condemnation of that party's record under the leadership of Mayor Ziegenhein and the Ziegenhein gang in the City Hall. It is this perception of the meaning of

last Tuesday's local vote which is now leading to a panic-stricken desire on the part of Republican officeseekers to disentangle themselves from the harness of the Ziegenhein machine and prepare for an alignment that shall not be blighted at the outset by the shadow of Ziegenheinism. They have seen the handwriting on

the wall which tells them that the Bufwith him are doomed.

Nevertheless, the local Republican party is logically compelled to abide by the results of Ziegenheinism in St. Louis. It will be impossible for that party to nominate a ticket in the spring any good to show me." It did all the campaign which will not bear the taint of Ziegenheinism. There will doubtless be a desperate attempt to put up a decoy ticket with which to fool the people, but the hand which moves the throttle of did equal good to "show" them that a the local Republican machine will be the potent hand in the selection of that ticket. And that hand is the hand of Mayor Ziegenhelu.

ROOT'S VISIT TO CUBA.

It is not unreasonable to believe that Secretary of War Root's contemplated visit to Cuba has a strong political significance as bearing upon the McKinley administration's final settlement of our relations toward the people of that

We are under a solemn pledge to grant a full and complete independence to for its share of the spoils, surrendered Cuba unless the Cuban people by their own votes ask that Cuba be annexed to heinism, it might have joined with the the United States. The Cuban Constitutional Convention is expected to formulate a plan of government for a free and independent Cuban Republic, the American Government reserving the right to crat's assistance is no reason why they pass upon the merits of that plan as promising a stable maintenance of law and order in Cuba.

No administration effort will be spared to so develop the annexation sentiment in Cuba as to lead to a national request

for annexation. Thus far the Cuban sentiment in favor of national independence has prevailed.

ident Cisneros of the provisional Cuban Government that the American Governor General of Cuba has used undue influence against the movement for independence. The hostile feeling caused by this charge is bitter to a degree. Whether or not it is justified, the Cuban people believe that the American Government is seeking to evade the fulfillment of its pledge for Cuban independence.

It is to be hoped that Secretary of War Root will not see fit to intensify this feeling by bringing the influence of the McKinley administration too strongly to bear upon the existing situation. A due regard for our own honor and good faith demands that we shall allow the Cubans to express their national de sires in unhampered freedom. The rightful American policy towards Cuba is a policy of hands off. It is doubtful, however, if the McKinley administration, acting under trust orders, will follow this policy.

ABOUT REORGANIZATION.

Republican newspapers are concerning themselves quite needlessly just now with the reorganization of the Democratic party. They are wasting time and space. The Democratic party can take care of itself without Republican

All of the chatter about reorganization, whether it comes from Republicans or ex-Democrats, even from Democrats who have been in line with their party, is untimely and absurd.

There is nelther occasion for a present reorganization of the party, nor opportunity if there were occasion, Party policies and party control are not changed by cancuses made up of selfconstituted delegates.

In the fullness of time the Democratic party will range Itself to meet the living issues of the future, but neither alignment nor leadership can be determined by pronunciamentos expressing purely personal preferences and animated by individual ambitions. The people make the issues and the issues make the leaders. Through this natural

and regular method of development only can the future of the Democratic organization be determined. It has been so in the past, and it will be so in the days But it is a safe prophecy to say that

the sound common sense of the conservative element of the party will guide and shape this evolution. It will enforce its right of control and from day to day give manifest evidence of an unalterable determination to call a halt upon the extravagances of extremists who are ready to pander to any prejudice or passion if such a course promises a few votes. Conservative Democracy, repre senting deep-seated convictions, and committed to the sound principles of government which remain to-day, as they have always been, the underlying principles of the party, will be dominant in the minds of the voters, and will irresistibly develop the policies of the party, no matter what individuals happen to be in immediate control of the party muchinery.

Upon those Democrats who are in office, and not upon those who direct and manage campaign committees, rests the present responsibility. Democratic acts, and not Democratic proclamations, will forecast the policy and the platform of 1904. The duty of the hour is that resting upon the Democrats who have been selected for executive position, upon the Democrats who will sit in the State legislatures and in Congress. They can redeem the pledges of good government which brought them into office, and make a reunited and millitant Democracy not alone a possibility. but a certainty.

This is the road to reorganization, and there is no other. By this route all elements of Democracy will come together again, harmonious and aggressive. It is the only way to new issues and new leaders.

IT'S A TRUE GANG ORGAN.

It is natural, of course, that the Globe-Democrat should feel chagrined by the utter rout of Republicanism in Missouri and its peculiarly humiliating defeat in St. Louis, but that newspaper errs in permitting its chagrin to intensify into injurious mallee and a maleyolent bitterness of spirit that finds vent in abuse and vituperation of the Missouri people.

No sensible and well-posted person will believe the Globe-Democrat's angry accusation that the Missouri election, so signatly indorsing and upholding Missouri Democracy, was "a stolen election." The vote cast in this State last Tuesday was an honest vote. It was honestly counted. It voiced the will of the people of Missouri. It retained in power the party under whose wise administration of affairs Missouri has become one of the most prosperous States foon Burgomaster and all associated in the Union. It was, therefore, a consistent vote.

Neither is the Globe-Democrat justified in picturing the typical Missourian as a whisky-soaked bumpkin bearing the tag: "I'm from Missouri, and it don't do good in the world to "show" Missourians the barefaced mendacity of the Globe-Democrat's lying charges of the "looting" of the State School Fund. It solid Republican minority in the State Legislature, invariably voting for lobby measures, alone made possible the pas sage of such lobby bills as were passed. Missourians acted on this "showing"

with excellent intelligence and admira-

ble resolution.

And, finally, the Ziegenhein organ should not berate and slander the people of St. Louis because St. Louis has seen fit to condemn Ziegenheinism. This evil gang of looting ringsters has done all in its power to wreck and ruin the city. If the Globe-Democrat had not, its influence to the dictation of Ziegenpeople in beginning the overthrow of the Ziegenhein gang. That the people are going ahead with this great and needed work without the Globe-Demoshould be assailed bitterly by that Ziegenhein sheet. The redemption of St. Louis is imperatively necessary, even though the achievement bring upon the heads of its directing leaders and the people of this misgoverned city all the venom possible to be spewed out by the

organ of Ziegenheinism. The Globe-Democrat is coming out It has been complained by former Pres- under its true colors in the fine fervor

of its Zlegenhein indignation. It is evidently for Ziegenheinism first, last and all the time. The people of St. Louis are not blind to this fact. They have got the gang organ "spotted" for punishment.

TRUSTS IN THE SADDLE.

When the new Republican Congress shall be convened to carry out President McKinley's policies in the legislative department of the American Government it may logically be expected to enact laws that shall still further increase the power and add to the profits of the American trusts.

The first of the trust measures to come before this Congress will, as a matter of course, be the Hanna-Payne-Frye ship subsidy bill, which places a tax burden of some \$200,000,000 on the American people for the inauguration of the principle of trust protection on the seas as well as on the hand. The passage of this bill will be for the direct stands close to the President, and of which Mark Hanna is a prominent figare. Its passage has been postponed for the reason that it might have injured the Republican party if the bill had become a law before the national elections

Following this action it is certain that a greater boldness will be displayed by the Republican party in the festering of the trusts in other ways. Whatever "colonial legislation" may be demanded by the monopolists similar to the Porto-Rican tariff bill, the passage of which was compelled by the Sugar Trust, will no doubt be promptly forthcoming. The fermation of many new trusts, a confluttance of that great and ominous growth which was so notable a feature of Mr. McKinley's first administration, is practically a foregone conclusion, And that there will now be any pretense of Republican antagonism to the trusts, or of a desire to restrict their evil influence in the people's behalf, it is useless to

Lione. It may be that four years more of Hannatsm, McKinleyism and trustism will bring the American people face to face with the stern necessity of so acting for their self-preservation as to put an end to that rule of present-day Republicanism which is so markedly for the benefit of the trusts at the expense of the people. For this reason it is incumbent upon the national Democracy to continue its fight for the general good. The issue of 1904 is already in sight, if all signs do not fall.

REASONABLE DEMAND.

There is nothing exorbitant or unreasonable in the demand for a customs warehouse in St. Louis, for which a movement has been started by the Bustness Men's League. St. Louis import ers should have facilities commensurate with the amount of their business and with the importance of the port, due to its location in the fourth city in the United States.

The present warehouses, on the other side of the river, are undesirable in lo cation and inadequate in provisions for storing, protecting and preserving the valuable importations. St. Louis should have a big customs warehouse, located where easy access to the shipments may be had by the consignees and where these shipments are amply protected from deterioration and theft.

cilities extended to St. Louis importers will materially increase the volume and value of their Importations and will time give a better stocked market not only to St. Louisans but to Missourieus and to the great Southwest, for which St. Louis is the supply center.

Americans are now ready to let the dead past bury its dead and to take up the business of life where the election interrupted it, but they are sorely puzzled as to what those men who insisted on keeping the Philippines are going to do with them, and how many American lives and how much American money will be used in that work.

Let us hope that Secretary of War Root's visit to Cuba is for the purpose of insuring a fair and unhampered expression of Cuban sentiment on the issue of independence or annexation.

On November 6, 1900, the American people didn't stay at home-they went to the polls and voted. The result must be accepted as the people's will, whether mistaken or not.

If the present panic-stricken Republican tendency to cut loose from the Zie genhein machine continues, the Mayor's Moon will shortly be about all that is left to the Mayor.

It appears that the Globe-Democrat's Flory and Ziegenhein roosters have been transformed into creaking ravens, afflicted with a most aggravated form of pessimistic pip.

Republican National Committeeman Scott of West Virginia is now at liberty to proclaim his love for the Standard Oil Company through a megaphone if he se

American people themselves evidently yearn for a revival of old-line Democ racy. They will do the reviving. Ambitious individuals will be held back.

does not now incur the same penalty as in biblical days. be President. As the instrument of the

It's a mighty lucky thing for the

worth two of that. Democracy for the times seems to be the brand of Democracy for which the American people now ask.

trusts in public life he knows a trick

The Gold of Autumn. The gold of autumn's glory From summer's wealth is born-Hew bleak would be the twilight gray. Remembering not the morn!

And as sweet May was joyous, And joound June was fair, November's that the richer glow That in their colors share? Life's mellowest sings of evening Come from youth's splendid prime— How barsh must that soul's vespers be That leved not in love's time! And as that leve was tender And strong and true and bich That sings such love gone by

RIPLEY D. SAUNDERS.

MISSOURI WOMEN'S CLUBS ADJOURN.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Jophin, Mo., Nov. 2.—The third and las day of the meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs of Missouri was held to

The convention was replete with good aumor, and reports of the remarkable work that has been done. One delegate apply described the Federation by declaring wom-en's convention consisted more in reporting what had been accomplished than in trule ing a platform and making a promise to recomplish something, as men are accustomed to do. The morning session was nultier, election of three members of the Board of Directors and discussions upon the by-haws of the Federation. The Nomination Committee brought in

seven names from which were chosen direc-tors. Mrs. J. H. Bonslog, Springfield, Mrs. T. W. St. Clair, Columbia, and Mrs. G. W. Wardin, Marshali,

was the indorsement of the Louisiana Pursage of this bill will be for the direct chase Exposition, Upon motion, Mrs. Philip benefit of a powerful syndicate which N. Moore of St. Louis was indexed as a stands close to the President, and of member of the Memorial Commission in

emor of the Louisiang Purchase
Mrt. Gage made an exhaustive report of
her visit to the Congress of Mothers at Des doines. The Legislative Committee to orted a recommendation to the Legislaturfor the appointment of a State Chemist to examine foods. This resolution caused dis-cussion upon State supervision of santony onditions of private homes, as well as chooks and public buildings. The time and disce of text convertion is St. Joseph, Octo-

A resolution of thanks was tendered to he hostesses of the city and various organizations which had helped to entertain the isiting delegates. The convention ad

St. Louis Women's Clubs.

The Tuesday Club at its meeting considered Shakespeare's "Coriolanus" and an in-eresting programme was presented. Mrs link spoke, without notes, of the "Tech ique of the Drama." She pointed out from blackboard sketch the plan in general of Il drama, from the Greek tragedles dow at drame, from the Greek trageous down to the present, and showed "Corolanus" is be in neverl with this general plan. Mrs. Wider discussed the character of Corolanus from the youth to old age. Mrs. Wagoner also dwelf upon his love for its

nother. This trait equaled his pride, an ath pride and devotion to his mather erseled his love of country. This, in I pinion, was the keynote of his charact Mrs. Little gave a pen portrait of the "Re-man Populace," Some pertinent points on the "women" of the play were brought out discussion which followed Mme Tapp. Wagoner and finglish taking part. Miss Clinton of New York was introduced and spoke of social settlement work, both In New York and St. Louis.

The educational section of the Wednesday Chib held its regular meeting Saturday, No-vember 2, at 19 o'clock a. m. Mrs. Charles Hofman read a thoughtful and interesting pater on 'The Platonic Theory of Educa-tion.' Attention was called to the similarity between the Greek and Chinese method of education, in both of which the cu'ti viction of memory was considered of ex-treme importance. Mrs. Hofman's paper called forth animated discussion on man soluts, among which may be mentioned the lisastrous results of mapping out every cirumstance of life for the child; the influ ence of heredity and environment, the dan-ger of specialization without a foundation f general knowledge; the present-day tend-ney to study a little of everything and not such of any thing. Mrs. Pitzman read an extract from an article by Dean Eriggs chawing the advantage of school training over education under tutors.

The second informal meeting of all tes lent P. E. O's was held Monday afternoon at No. 238 Washington avenue, with Mrs. G. E. M. Pratt. Those in attendance were Mines. A. Leane Cooper, J. H. Carroll, Efr-ney Dysart, H. H. Evans, Frank Ferrin Hays, C. DeWitt Lakens, A. R. Morgan. Virgio Melson, Frank Northrup, J. P. Nes-bit, Eva Ogle, G. E. M. Pratt. Carrie Teas nd Mrss Zeilah Bullon.

All the Senators and Representatives of Missouri in Congress should lend ready aid to the project. Improved facilities extended to the project. Improved facilities extended to the project. sion of plans for organization and pagramme of winter's work. Business beompleted, refreshments were served and the ladies entertained by Miss Ely, who sang De Koven songs.

The first regular meeting of the Morning Choral Club was held last Thesday morning at the Odeon. By far the largest number of members in the history of the organization gathered to take up the season's wor nder Mr. Kroeger's direction. Jano horal composition, "A Midsummer Day, which the club sang at its closing concer last season, is being rehearsed, in ord that it may be sung at the first public con-cert this fall, on December II, when David Bispham is to be the soloist. Miss Sarah Tower will read the monologue in the Jadossohn number. Several boxes have at-ready been taken for the opening concert. Mrs. E. H. Semple, Mrs. William C. Little. Mrs. Thomas O'Reilly, Mrs. W. E. Fischell are among the box holders.

Mrs. James Lawrence Blair, president of the Morning Choral, is now in New York, where she will arrange with Bispham con cerning the songs that he is to give on night of December 11, and also confer with other soloists whose services are to be enoncerts this season.

The regular Thursday morning meeting of the choral department of the Union Musical Club was held list week, Mrs. Robland directing. This department has received many new members, and the rehearsals of a bronological programme for January 19 are being pushed with vigor. The first artist concert of the club will be given on November 24, with Bloomfield-Zeisier as the attrac-

The Literary-Musical Club of the Visitation Convent, Cabanne, held its first meet-ing of the autumn last Thursday afternoon. This club, now in its fifth year of work. has been transferred to the pupils of th music department of the convent, who will, in the future, take charge of all programmefor the regular monthly club rectals. In addition this season several artists' recitals will be given. An introductory talk on Buch at the Thursday meeting was followed by a programme of this composer's music, given by Miss Agnes Hardy, Miss Walbridge, Miss Laura Cline, Miss Letifia Maginnis and Miss Ella Lyon. After a paper on Greig, the following gave several of his compositions: Miss Gussie Swartz, Miss Laura Cline, Miss Mabel Hanna, Miss Abbie Morgan.

Card From Mr. Wymnn.

To the Editor of The Republic. Your report of the action taken by the

Rusiness Men's League relative to charges It's a mighty lucky thing for the said to have been preferred by me against Globe-Democrat that the sin of Ananias the customs officials at this port is incorrect, and entirely at variance with the facts. The report adopted was the report of the subcommittee, to whom was delegated Of course Mark Hanna doesn't want to That committee employed Mr. C. A. Parker and me to endeavor to bring the workings of the Custom-house and the action of the importer into harmony, and to report our action or findings. We did not agree, and made separate reports. Mr. Parker re-ported, finding no cause to censure the officials, and I reporting specific violations of law, citing instances and pointing out the laws violated. The subcommittee which loyed Mr. Parker and me consisted of W. A. Zukoski and Mr. Hugh McKittrick, and they unanimously approved my report, making it the basis of their own to the League, Both Mr. Zukoski and Mr. Mc-Kittrick will confirm all the foregoing. You will understand how incorrect the report of this meeting was, when the account makes it appear that the Surveyor was exonerated. The League passed no such resolution, but, on the contrary, adopted the report of the subcommittee. CHARLES H. WYMAN.

(The Republic's report of the meeting referred to by Mr. Wyman was written from an account of the proceedings, furnished the newspapers by the Business Men's League.-Ed. Republic.)

SCHUMANN-HEINK WILL NOT SING AT THE ODEON.

After the Arrangement Had Been Made for To-Night, She Announced That She Was Indisposed-But She Will Appear at Kansas City.



-Photograph by Duront.

ERNESTINE SCHUMANN HEINK. Who was to have sung at the music festival, and was later announced to sing at the thistor, but who will not sing here at all-at least not at this time.

resenting the Odeon. They explained to her that St. Louis really wanted to hear her sing and that a contract and cash would be placed in her hinds at once. She smiled broadly, forsot her troubles at the Collection of the contract and surface. The concept was fixed for this evening. Mr. Swinger, What Madame will say will probably be as Mr. John Schroers and Mr. Isaac Hedges, the music purveyors most interested, were delighted.

This was at 2 o'clock.

with German. He asked questions and got guittral replies. Mr. Schroers and Mr. Hedges looked sadly on and gave it up. He was reported last night that Mme. Hisavelt, announced for Monday night at the festival, would arrive this morning, will say will probably be as the runsic purveyors most interested, were delighted.

This was at 2 o'clock.

DISASTROUS FIRE

Frau Schumann-Heink is most unhappy. | might be no drawing-room for her in the The embrent German lady came to St.
Louis for the jurgose of singing a few
Wagnerian diffes under the management of
the Musical Festival Association. The concert did not take place last night, for reasons that are variously described by a
sticking orchestra and members of the asvesterlay afternoon Frau SchumannVesterlay afternoon Frau Schumann-Vesterday afternoon Frau Schumann-Heink revelved visits from gentlemen ten-reventing the toleon. They explained to her with German. He asked questions and to

ea ment German singer will be This was at 2 o creek.

Two hours later Fron Schumann-Heink know that she will sligh here for the Choral-had changed her musical mind. She had Symphony Society on the evening of Desammened tell boys and they were slow to arrive. She had learned that there on Friday, but on Thursday.

MESSAGE WAS SENT SWEEPS BILOXI, MISS. THROUGH CLIFFS.

One Hundred Buildings Destroyed Crowning Achievement of Marand Property Loss of Three Hundred Thousand Is Entailed.

New Orleans, La., Nov. 9.-Hillaxi, Miss., stunted on the Mississippi Sound, eighty miles from New Orleans, was swept by terrific fire this morning, which destroyed mward of 100 buildings and rendered hunireds of people homeless.

Billoxi is a town of 7 00 people and a wellknown summer resort for Mississipplans and Louisianians and a winter resort for Northern people. It has a small fire department and contains many frame buildings and the fire simply burned until it had nothing further to feed on.

The fire started shortly after midnight in a saloon near the Louisville and Nashville Depot, and, after destroying the depot, swept through to the bench, a distance of several squares. No lives were lest, but many of the poorer people lost all theh assessions. The Catholic Church, school and convent, two newspaper offices and sevings destroyed.

The total loss is estimated at \$100,000, with \$125,600 of Insurance.

KILLED IN FOOTBALL GAME.

Edward Gillette, a Chicago Lad, Crushed to Death in Scrimmage.

Chleage, Nev. 9 -In a football game at the Normal Park School grounds to-day, Sixtyeighth street and Stewart avenue, Edward Gillette, aged 17, was so serlously injured that he died in a few hours at his he According to the story told by the boy who were playing with him at the time, Gillette, who had hold of the ball, slipped and fell as he was trying to make a dash

All the players piled on him, and the op-All the players place on him, and the op-position endeavored to get the pigskin away from him. Gillette held onto the ball, and shouted that he was injured. He attempted to rise, but failed. It was found that he was suffering from internal injuries. After reaching home be-became unconscious, and died.

BERNHARDT'S START DELAYED. Accident to the Steamer on Which She Was to Have Sailed.

Paris, Nov. 5.-The members of the French dramatic company, headed by Mme. Bernhardt and M. Coquelln, who has expected to leave for New York this even expected to leade to New York this even-ing to begin the company's American tour at the Gorden Theater in that cits, have been delayed in consequence of an accident to the steamer; but they will leave Havre next Monday on L'Aquitaine. The New Orleans Opera Company, con-sisting of ninety-seven persons, under the management of M. Henri Barriel, is simi-larly delayed.

Mr. Akins Will Hang On.

Mr. Akins Will Hang On.

Chairman Akins of the Republican State Committee yesterday closed up a portion of the headquarters at the Lindell Hotel. It is probable that one room will be maintained for some time. Chairman Akins will not remove to his home at Humansville Just now. He desires to collect all the records of the State Committee and otherwise keep open house until after McKinley is inaugurated for the second time. Mr. Akins still maintains that Flory did not run more than 25,00 votes behind Mr. Dockery, although he is willing to wait for complete returns before announcing his final opinion on the matter.

coni's System of Wireless Telegraphy.

SPECIAL BY CABLE.

London, Friday, Nov. 8 - (Copyright, 1900 by the New York Herald Company.)-Re markably successful trials of Mr. Marcon! wireless telegraphy were witnessed yester lay by the Belgian Government officials while the Princess Clementine was making voyage from Ostend Dover, but the crowning achievement of all was when a message was sent from the Princess Clem entine to Mr. Marconi's wireless station at Dover Court, Essex, a distance of eighty or linety miles, including many miles of cliffs Long messages were also sent from Dover oler to Mr. Marconi's office in London, via

Pover Court and Chelmsford. The Belgian authorities are so satisfied with the results of the wireless system that t will shortly be put upon vessels in the

Both the Northern of France Railway Company and the English rallway compades are auxious to have an installation on the Dover-Calais boats, but the objections f the English Government Department pre ent this being done at present.

ABNER GAINES A SUICIDE. Son of a Prominent Hot Springs

Hot Springs, Ark., Nov. 9 .- Abner L. Gaines, son of Major W. H. Gaines, one of the original claimants of the land upor which the hot springs are located, committed suicide to-day by cutting his throat

with a pocket knife. He had been in poor

Resident Cuts His Throat.

ACCIDENT TO THE MONTEREY. Breakdown of Machinery Compels

Return to Hong-Kong. Hong-Kong, Nov. 9.- The United States

turret ship Monterey has returned here, having falled to reach Canton, owing to in accident to her machinery.

NINETEEN WERE DROWNED. Result of a Collier's Collision With an Unknown Vessel.

London, Nov. 3.-The steam colliery, City d Vienna, sank in the channel yesterday while bound from Swansea to Rotterdam, after a collision with an unknown vessel and nineteen of her crew were drowned,

Illinois Schoolhouse Burned.

Nashville, Ill., Nov. 9.-The schoolhouse at Pilot Knob in this county was totally destroyed by fire this afternoa. The loss was \$700, fully covered by insurance. A defective flue is ascribed as the cruse of the ire. It will be rebuilt at once.

Governor Tanner's Proclamation. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Springfield, Ill., Nov. 2.—Governor Tanner to-day issued his Thanksgiving proclama-

INTEREST IN FATE OF AMENDMENTS.

Much Speculation Concerning the Vote on Nos. 1, 2, 3, 6 and 7 Throughout the State.

NOS. 4 AND 5 WERE CARRIED.

Remocratic Headquarters Deluged With Inquiries, to Which Answer Is Made That Official Returns Must Be Awaited.

Consermost in the minds of the citizens of he city and State is the probable fate of the seven constitutional amendments. The World's Pair amendments, numbered 4 and were apparently carried by a large maority, and little concern is felt by the maneaers of the World's Fair respecting them. But the fate of the other five amendments s still in doubt, and causing much specula-

The greatest interest attaches to the vote withe third amendment, which provides for he taxation of mortgages and deeds of trust. Despite the opposition waged against this amendment in St. Louis by money enders and financial agents, who would be injured by its passure, the amendment was arried in this city and also in St. Louis County, along with the other six. It also parried in Kansas City. The vote in the wo cities would seem to indicate the arrage of this amendment in the State, beause. It is argued, if the amendment cared in the two large cities, where every in-fluence was against it, the chances out in the State were immensurably in favor of t, owing to the greater number of people in the interior who, having farms and holdings mortgaged, might be depended upon to favor taxing the individuals who hold

Since the election the State Democratia herdquarters has been inundated with in-quiries from all over the State as to the fate of the amendments. Chairman Setbert says:
"The situation is this: The vote on the

amendments, outside of those relating to the World's Fair, was of little or no con-

equence to the county chairmen, compared

with the result of the vote on the national, State and county tickets. Consequently, in making their estimates and returns to the State Committee, they sent only their figures on the vote on Bryan, Dockery and figures on the vote on Bryan, Dockery and the tickets in their respective counties, especially the Congressmen in their districts and the State Representatives.

"I have received within the last three days probably 20 telegrams from the press and individuals asking how the constitutional amendments fared in the State. The third amendment is particularly inquired about. To all I have replied that, while I believe the vote in St. Louis is indicative of the vote in the State, I have no official knowledge or verification of this belief, and that it remains for the Secretary of State to give this information after he has received and tabulated the complete returns, which will not be, I judge, before two weeks at the earliest."

RENEWS ITS FIGHT ON BOARD.

House of Delegates Asks About Lights and Paving.

The House of Delegates last night renewed its fight on the Board of Public Improvements. Mr. Helms introduced a resolution asking the board to report the true status asking the John to report the true status of the Weisbach Street Lighting Company in its relation to the city, signifying the number of lamps the company is lighting every day, the progress being made and the prospects for having all the lights glowing by January I, as per contract. Supervisor of Lighting O'Relly yestering morning stated that the company has not morning stated that the company has not upervisor of Lagrana, and the company has not norming stated that the company has not one the work as rapidly as anticipated, leneral Superintendent Prendergast, of the Walsbach Street Lighting Company, gave assurances about a month ago that he would make strendous endeavors to light as would make strendous endeavors to light as weary as 200 lamps daily. He attributed many as 200 lamps daily. many as 300 lamps daily. H the delay to his inability to pro The company has not yet attained a record

The company has not yet attained a record of 300 lamps per day.

Mr. Helms introduced another resolution calling upon the Street Commissioner to prepare a statement of the entire amount of brick street reconstruction in progress and finished, with an idea as to the time that may be required to complete work still under way. Both resolutions were adopted unanimously. The object of this latter resolution is to endeavor to show the reason for the condition existing on Chouteau avenue, between Jefferson and Compton avenue.

Mr. Bersch submitted a new bill for the racation of Benedict avenue, from Grand evenue to John avenue, the real estate to event to the owners of the adjoining property. The bills authorizing the vacation of dievs in city blocks 1840 and 1841 were easied by the house and signed by Speaker Wurrell.

COUNCIL'S SESSION IS BRIEF. Lawton Avenue Signs Discussed-

Bonds Approved.

The City Council held a short session yesterday afternoon. Chairman Wiggins of the Raffrond Committee, announced that his committee would meet at 4 p. m., next Friday to consider the Shickle-Harrison-Howard switch bill and other matters. Mr. Wiggins introduced a resolution, which was adopted, requesting Clerk Graves to invessigate the negligence in placing new street signs along Lawton avenue, as the ordinance passed on July 6 directed. The name passed on July 6 directed. The name of Chestnat street from Jefferson avenue to Grand avenue has been changed to Lawton avenue, but the provisions of the ordinance have not been fulfilled and the old signs have not been removed nor thomeworks of Reber place was passed, and several bonds, recommended by the Committee on Municipal Affairs, were approved. The committee on Legislation met at 4 o'clock and heard the applications of Courthouse officials concerning the re-assignment of the committee would meet at 4 p. m., next Fri-

officials concerning the re-assignment of the offices in the building. A. A. Selkirk & Co.'s Regular Saturday sale takes place every Saturday morning at 10:20 o'clock at their salesrooms, 1808-10-12 Chouteau avenue. Immense quantities of furniture, carpets, stoves and other miscellaneous articles are sold at very nominal figures.

FLOWER SHOW NEXT WEEK.

hrysanthemums, Carnations and Roses the Chief Attractions.

The tenth annual chrysanthemum show nd floral exhibition of the St. Louis Florist Club, which will be given in Exposition Music Hall next Wednesday, Thursday and Music Hall next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, gives promises of exceptional attractiveness. Competition this year is practically narrowed down to three classes—this means that prospective exhibitors have concentrated their energies and done their best to produce the very finest plants and blossom; because nothing mediocre can hope to win.

The list of prizes is more than ever tempting for the reason that most of them are offered by prominent men and women. They have served to excite a spirit of professional and artistic rivalry which will be evidenced in higher class plants in all the classes.*

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Chrysanthemums continue to held first place in the premium lists. All of the standard varieties will be shown, as well as several new candidates for popular favor. The fine weather of the last six weeks has been particularly favorable to them, and specimens will be seen in the perfection of their gaudy beauty.

Roses and carnations, too, have thriven in the gental sunshine of a wondrously generous autumn, and are correspondingly more fully developed in tint, texture and fragrance than they were last year.

Special attention will be paid on Wednesday to potted plants, on Thursday to cut blossoms, and on Friday to groups and vases of growing plants and bouquets. The exhibition will be open to visitors both afternoon and evening.